

NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and the Lincoln Police Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: On April 5, 2010, a complaint was unsealed charging five Lincoln residents with conspiring to distribute methamphetamine and cocaine between August of 2009 and April of 2010. During that time, an undercover Lincoln police officer bought a total of approximately 7 ½ ounces of methamphetamine and 1 ¼ ounces of cocaine from persons in this group.

Name of Defendant: Marvin Ricardo Solis

AKA:

Age: 33

City of residence: Lincoln

Name of Defendant: Alfredo Hernandez Lopez

AKA:

Age: 33

City of residence: Lincoln

Name of Defendant: Jorge Arreaga

AKA: Jaime Eduardo Escobar a/k/a Jose

Age: 22

City of residence: Lincoln

Name of Defendant: Wilson Antonio Garcia-Panama

AKA: Carlos

Age: 22

City of residence: Lincoln

Name of Defendant: Dante E. Vicharra

AKA:

Age: 39

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Conspiracy to distribute and possess with the intent to distribute 50 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, and a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846. The possible penalty is not less than five years nor more than 40 years imprisonment and a fine of up to \$2,000,000. Following any prison term, there would be a term of supervised release of not less than four years. There is also a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln

Location of Arrest: Lincoln

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: An undercover Lincoln police officer purchased approximately 7 ½ ounces of methamphetamine and approximately 1 ¼ ounces of cocaine from members of this group.

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: From on or about August 4, 2009, to April 1, 2010

Federal Arrest Date: April 1, 2010

Date Complaint Issued: April 2, 2010

Indictment Returned Date:

Initial Appearance Date: April 5, 2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s):

Sentencing Date:

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: Preliminary hearings: Jorge Arreaga: April 8,

2010; remaining defendants: April 19, 2010

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable Cheryl R. Zwart

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: April 1, 2010

Assigned District Court Judge:

Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release: SEF